(e) whether it is a fact that instead of doing any useful work for growth of industry or for consumer benefit, his ministry is engaging in the rituals of allowing price increases for considerations; and

(f) by when this practice is likely to be stopped?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI CHINTA MOHAN): (a) Names of 52 bulk drugs on which customs duty has been reduced to 80 per cent i.e. by 30 per cent have been given in notification No. 216/92-Customs dated 19th June, 1992, the copies of which are available in the Parliament library.

(b) and (c) An illustrative example given below would clarify the position in this regard:

	At official rate	At market rate
	(US $ – Rs. 26)	(US $ Rs. 31.00)
CIF Price	26.00	31.00
Custom Duty @ 110%	28.00	24.80
		@80%
Landed Cost	54.60	55.80

(d) to (f) The prices of formulations based on controlled bulk drugs are being fixed by the Government. For revising the prices of these formulations the DPRC Sub Committee takes into account current rate of custom duty to arrive at landed cost. Manufacturers of non scheduled formulations are free to revise the prices themselves but whenever any price increase appears to be unreasonable, companies are asked to justify the increase in the prices. In case adequate justification does not exist companies are prevailed upon to reduce the price in the overall interest of the consumer.

Reduction in price of bulk drugs

140. SHRI H. HANUMANTHAPPA: SHRIMATI SATYA BAHIN:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have affected any reduction in the price of bulk drug or formulation in the year 1992 so far;

(b) if so, what are the names of the products involved, their earlier prices and the revised prices and the date when the prices were revised;

(c) whether these reduced prices have been implemented, and if so, the date from which these have been implemented; and

(d) what has been the extent of reduction in each case?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI CHINTA MOHAN): (a) to (d) The price of bulk drug Rifampicin has been reduced on 24.1.1992 from Rs. 5201/kg to Rs. 4946/kg. A statement indicating the requisite details in respect of formulations to the extent readily available is attached (*See* below). As per para 4, sub-para 3 of DPCO, 1987 every manufacturer/importer is required to implement the prices fixed/revised by the Government within 15 days of receipt of such orders.

Statement

Prices of Ceiling Packs of Formulations

Sr. No.	Name of the Product	Pre-revised price with date Rs.	Revised Price with date Rs.
1	2	3	4
Ceiling Packs			
1.	Salbutamol Tablets 2 mg. base/tablet 10's strip	1.76 (27.10.1988)	1.16 (29.5.1992)
2.	Salbutamol Tablet 4 mg. base/tablet 10's strip	2.68 (27.10.1988)	1.58 (29.5.1992)
3.	Salbutamol Tablet Liquid 2 mg. base/ml. 112ml. Bottle	10.12 (20.12.1991)	9.12 (29.5.1992)
4.	PCMX	53.97 (20.12.1991)	52.96 (6.6.1992)
Non-Ceiling Packs			
1.	Nutriday MV Drops (Paed.) 15ml Bottle + DRPR	8.44 (Date not available)	8.19 (6.1.1992)
2.	Bricanyl 5mg. Durules 12's Strip	6.01	5.92 (16.1.1992)
3.	Terramycin Animal Formula Tab. 4's Strip	4.81	4.64 (10.2.1992)
4.	Polybion Amp. 2ml+250Amp.	50.56	50.29 (21.2.1992)
5.	Crydoxin-FM Suspension 20ml. Bottle	8.99	8.08 (21.2.1992)
6.	Metrogyl 400mg. Tabs. 100's Jar	55.29	53.27 (21.2.1992)
7.	Metrogyl 400mg. Tabs. 500's Jar	260.92	250.90 (21.2.1992)
8.	Metrogyl 400mg. Tabs. 1000's Jar	514.56	494.56 (21.2.1992)
9.	Metrogyl 420mg. Tabs. 500's Jar	136.88	131.92 (21.2.1992)
10.	Metrogyl 420mg. Tabs. 1000's Jar	266.52	256.62 (21.2.1992)
11.	Metronidazole Benzoy Loxylate 200mg./5ml., Furazolidone 40ml./5mg. 60ml. Bottle	10.70	10.67 (21.2.1992)
12.	Monotard HM 100 IU/ML Highly Purified Insulin Zinc Susp. B. No. 4611412, 1000 Vials. 10ml. Vial	287.51	286.79 (16.3.1992)

1	2	3	4
13.	Nitraphane Porcing 40 IU/ML Mix of Highly Purified Insulin SOL & ISOPH. Susp. B.N. 427673, 1000 vials. 10ml. vial.	78.17	71.29 (16.3.1992)
14.	Actrapid Human 100 IU/Ml Highly Purified Neutral Insulin Inj. B. No. 4611408, 2000 Vials, 10ml. Vial	287.51 (Date not available)	286.82 (16.3.1992)
15.	Actrapid Human 100 IU/Ml Highly Purified Neutral Insulin Inj. B. No. 4314808, 9000 vials, 10ml. vial	115.41	115.25 (16.3.1992)
16.	Actrapid Human 100 IU/Ml Highly Purified Neutral Insulin Inj. B. No. 4311400, 1000 vials 10ml. vial	287.51	286.79 (16.3.1992)
17.	Monotard Human 40 IU/Ml Highly Purified Neutral Insulin Inj. B. No. 4311406	115.46	115.25 (16.3.1992)
18.	Monotard Human 100 IU/Ml Highly Purified Insulin Zinc Susp. B. No. 4311412, 1500 vials 10ml vial	287.51	286.79 (16.3.1992)
19.	Actraphane Human 40 IU/Ml Mix of Highly Purified Insulin & Isoph. Susp. B. No. 4614848, 18000 vials 10ml. vial.	115.41	115.28 (16.3.1992)
20.	Actraphane Human 40 IU/Ml Mix of Highly Purified Neutral Insulin Z & ISOPH. Susp. B. No. 4414834, 18000 vials 10ml. vial	115.41	115.25 (16.3.1992)
21.	Roscillin Distab 125ml.g. 10's Strip	11.20	8.86 (26.3.1992)
22.	Lamoxy Bx Cap. 250mg. 6's Strip	14.12	13.68 (11.5.1992)
23.	Savlon Liquid Antiseptic 75ml. Bottle	9.23	6.26 (11.5.1992)
24.	Savlon Liquid Antiseptic 500ml Bottle	25.40	24.20 (11.5.1992)
5.	Catevol Concenyrate 75ml Bottle	14.12	12.19 (11.5.1992)
26.	Cetavol Concenyrate 90ml Bottle	14.68	13.74 (11.5.1992)

Hike in packing material costs

141. SHRI H. HANUMANTHAPPA:
SHRIMATI SATYA BAHIN:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that packing material costs have been hiked by Government to give benefit to drug formulators based on purchase by the formulators and not based on the actual sale rates of suppliers;

(b) whether his ministry has verified the rates from the producers of packing materials;

(c) if so, names of those producers;

(d) whether it is a fact that most of